

The Snyder Signal

TWENTY-NINTH YEAR

SNYDER, SUTTON COUNTY, TEXAS, FRIDAY, AUGUST 20, 1915.

NUMBER TEN

HORRIBLE TRAGEDY ENACTED MONDAY

SANTA FE EXTRA FREIGHT 1061
WENT DOWN COLLIDED
WITH AUTOMOBILE

GARLAND G. WRIGHT KILLED

14-year-old Westbrook and Two-year-old
Baby Girl Were Seriously Hurt
Not Fatally Hurt

Monday night at 7:40 extra freight train No. 1061, west bound, in charge of Conductor Gear, collided with an automobile driven by Little Westbrook, occupied by himself, his two-year-old daughter and W. Garland Wright, in which the latter was killed. The automobile was demolished.

The accident occurred about a half a mile east of the Santa Fe station in Snyder. Mr. Westbrook was coming around the Massey home, out of line of the track. It is said the train was running at a thirty mile rate and struck the auto just as it mounted the railroad track. The force of the collision threw Mr. Wright against the engine, the blow striking his head, which was crushed in a manner as to cause instant death. Mr. Westbrook threw his baby to the ground as he was thrown to the catcher of the engine. It is stated that a brakeman on the pilot caught him and prevented him from rolling off in front of the engine. He was badly bruised up, as also was his baby when she struck the ground. Neither of them, however, are considered dangerously injured.

The body of Garland Wright was taken to his home, which was near the scene of the accident, and funeral arrangements placed with Undertaker R. M. Robbins. Services were held at the family home in North Snyder, Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock, conducted by Rev. Wm. Pomeroy of the Christian church. Interment in Snyder cemetery.

SWEETWATER REUNION SEPTEMBER SEVENTH

Sweetwater, Texas, August 19.—One of the most interesting reunions ever planned or held is to be that of the pioneer cowmen of the days of free grass, embracing the period previous to 1885 which is to be held near Sweetwater on September 7th the occasion of the West Texas Water Supply and Sweetwater Demonstration. Personal invitations have already been sent out to every known cowman and cowboy of that period and replies have already been received which indicate that there will be a splendid attendance. The invitations are signed by a committee of five old time cowmen of Nolan county and vicinity.

The old timers expect to entertain as their guest on that occasion, Governor Ferguson, treating him to a fairly merrily ride to their cow camp and a real camp breakfast. Between 150 and 200 cowmen will be in attendance.

Every arrangement for making the visitors feel that they are in a real cow camp is being made and whether their surroundings will constitute the hardships or the pleasures of the camp is roundup time, the guests will decide after gathering. Their camp will be a model one of the day of '85 where they may use whatever implements were in use in those days and where they may exercise to the fullest degree the right of total self-government.

So far as is known, every cowman of those days in Texas has been sent an invitation, but if any has been overlooked, the committee explains that he is invited too, for it was nearly impossible to gather the names of all the men who were here then and who have moved since to many other sections.

J. B. Pickle, an ex-newspaper man now engaged in the real estate business at Snyder was a visitor in Post City this week. Mr. Pickle was very much pleased with the appearance of our town and country, and will probably locate some farmers on the Post farms.—Post City Post.

SNYDER SCHOOLS OPEN SEPT. 13TH.

SCHOLASTIC ENROLLMENT HAS
INCREASED 25 PER CENT
OVER LAST YEAR

OPENING EXERCISE PROGRAM

Program Will Be Held at City Park
Auditorium at 9:30 a. m. Mon.
day, September 13th.

The public schools of Snyder will begin the next session on Monday September 13th at 9:30 a. m. The opening program will be held at the City Park Auditorium.

We hope every patron of the school will attend and help to make the opening a success. Your cooperation is very much needed at this time for we are now entering upon the most trying time of the Snyder schools, scholastic enrollment for the year shows an increase of 25 per cent over last year. This even does not do justice as there were many pupils in school last year who had moved out temporarily when the census was taken. The outlook for crops is good and many people are leaving the less prosperous sections of the East and routing into our midst to enjoy the fruits of the prosperity. Let us welcome them here our midst and give them in addition to their material satisfaction the best in the way of schools.

The added number of students will bring an adequate financial support and hence it will be a difficult proposition to give them the best schools under these circumstances. It takes a combined effort on the part of every patron and every interest in the city. Snyder has for years had the reputation of having the best schools in this section of the state. It may still occupy that enviable position if the people will but rally to its support. Your attendance at the opening will demonstrate your interest and co-operation.

Thanking the citizenship of Snyder for their untiring support in our efforts to build up the schools and craving a continuation of the same I am, Respectfully,

E. A. WATSON, Supt.

The following programs will be rendered:
Invocation—Rev. M. T. Tucker.
Opening Address—B. F. Pryor, President of School Board.
The City—Hon. J. Z. Noble, Mayor of Snyder.

The School: Its relation to the Community—Judge C. C. Higgins.
The Community: Its relation to the schools—Hon. T. P. Perkins.
The Policy of the Schools for This Year—Supt. E. A. Watson.
Music will be provided. Everybody invited to be present and add in every way possible to the interest of the occasion.

W. W. Whitehead, smiles out of Snyder presented the Signal with some very fine samples of Elberta and Chinese cling peaches Monday.

More Peaches
The Signal acknowledges receipt of a basket of very fine peaches presented by Rev. W. W. Werner.

"SIX SHOOTING" SHERIFF APPOINTED

Tom McClure famed as the Texas state-shooterless sheriff, candidate for State Comptroller last year and prominent in politics for many years, was appointed captain of the north-side police station this morning to succeed Captain Coffey who was shot in death two months ago. McClure served in several West Texas counties as sheriff.—Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

An Appreciative Letter
Hartington, Texas, Aug. 12.

Snyder Signal:
Dear friends: Here is a dollar. Send the Signal to me. We are very lonesome when we don't get it. The excitement here is still pretty high. Hardly a day or night passes but what some one is killed. I haven't got me any Mexican yet but think I will if they keep on raging.
Yours truly,
J. A. ADAMS

Board of Governors Select Officers for Chamber of Commerce

The Board of Governors of the Chamber of Commerce met August 14th, 1915 in Justice Brown's office at the Court House.

O. P. Thrane acted as chairman. Upon motion E. J. Anderson was elected president of the Board of Governors and the main body of the Chamber of Commerce. Other officers elected were:

F. J. Grayson, vice president;
H. G. Towle, treasurer;
J. P. Chambliss, secretary.
These officials to be submitted for the approval of the general body at a regular semi-annual session on September 6th, 1915.

The membership fee was placed at \$1.00 per month subscribed on an annual basis.

A committee composed of Marshall Fuller, J. P. Chambliss and E. J. Anderson was appointed to appear before the city council Monday August 16th and enter a protest against the Northwestern Telegraph and Telephone Company placing wire poles on the public square. Also to request that a modern common battery flashlight system be installed. A petition endorsing the move was placed in the hands of Gen. Hargreaves, Marshall Fuller and E. J. Anderson to present to local officials.

August 13th.—
The Board of Governors held a called meeting at 5 p. m. President Anderson presiding.

The following committees were

appointed to serve the first six months:

Trade Territory—F. J. Grayson;
J. K. Blackard, P. Brady, Joe Strayhorn, J. M. Denson.

County Improvement—J. K. Blackard.

Sanitary and Advertising—J. P. Chambliss.

Entertainment—Geo. Northcutt, J. P. Chambliss.

Telegraph and Telephone—F. Brady.

Railroads and Transportation—M. A. Fuller, George Northcutt.

Pavements, Sidewalks, Avenues and Bridges—Geo. W. Harris, Dr. H. G. Davenport.

Finance—E. E. Grimes, E. F. Hoken.

Education and School Facilities—J. M. Denson, Joe Strayhorn.

City and County Authority—H. G. Towle, O. P. Thrane.

Courtesy Highway—E. J. Anderson, H. G. Towle.

Legal Advisor—Jas. L. Spiller.

Adjourned until Sept. 3, 5 p. m.

H. H. Overhill, of Fort Worth, manager of the Northwestern division of the Magnolia Petroleum Company was the guest of local agent C. M. Ellis last week.

SNYDER TAKES SE- RIES FROM ANSON DISTRICT COURT MEETS SEPT. 13TH

SNYDER BRONCS TAKE SERIES
FROM ANSON—OFF FOR CO-
ORATED FOR SERIES

The Snyder Base Ball Club vs. Anson was the series played in the Snyder ground the first of this week.

As usual Snyder took the series, winning the first and third and giving Anson the second. Anson has about the best team we have seen up against this season, but as "E. K." says, Watson's Oklahoma players were too many for them.

FIRST GAME
Batteries: Anson, Crutchfield and Smith; Snyder, Watson and Palmer.
Umpires: Warren and Appleton.
Score by innings: H R E
Anson 010 000 200—2 5 3
Snyder 010 000 000—1 2 5

Batters: Anson, Polacek and Smith; Snyder, Muns and Palmer.
Struck out by Polacek 3, by Muns 12.

Double plays: Kierbaum to Wassum to Gressett; Kierbaum to Wassum to Gressett.
Two base hits: McCargo, White.

WHL pitch, Crutchfield 2, Watson 1.

Pass balls, Smith 1, Palmer 2.
Three base hits, Burruss, H. Muns.
Three base hits, Werner.

SECOND GAME
Score by innings: H R E
Anson 010 000 200—2 5 3
Snyder 010 000 000—1 2 5

Batters: Anson, Polacek and Smith; Snyder, Muns and Palmer.
Struck out by Polacek 3, by Muns 12.

Double plays: Kierbaum to Wassum to Gressett; Kierbaum to Wassum to Gressett.
Two base hits, McCargo, White.

THIRD GAME
Score by innings: H R E
Anson 010 000 200—2 5 3
Snyder 010 000 000—1 2 5

Batters: Anson, Burruss and Smith; Snyder, Watson and Palmer.
Umpire—Warren.
Struck out by Burruss 3, by Watson 1.

Double plays: Burruss, C. Muns.
Double plays, Watson to Muns to Gressett.

Two base hits, Hudson, C. Muns, Palmer, Watson, Werner and Gressett.
Sacrifice hits, Harrison, Gressett.

LEO M. FRANK WAS LYNCHED BY MOB

FRANK WAS TAKEN ONE HUN-
DRED MILES AND HANG-
ED TO A TREE

HANGED NEAR PHAGAN HOME

The Body, Barefooted and Clothed
in Prison Garb Found Two
Miles from Marietta

Marietta, Ga., Aug. 17.—A small but well organized mob took Leo M. Frank from the state prison farm at Milledgeville late last night, brought him 100 miles to almost within sight of the former home of Mary Phagan, the girl he was charged with killing, and hanged him to a tree. No shots were fired.

The body, barefooted and clothed only in prison trousers and shirt, was found two miles from Marietta at 8:15 this morning. It is believed the hanging occurred about daylight.

While officers are searching the country about Milledgeville early today, local officials view as significant the fact that several automobiles well loaded had left the town in the direction of Milledgeville last night. After the return of some of these machines officers started out on the road which they believed the mob had traveled. They had gone only two miles when they saw the body of Frank not more than 150 yards from the road side.

News that the body had been found spread rapidly in the town and surrounding country. Within a short time hundreds of persons crowded the highway en route to the scene. At 8:15 no effort had been made to cut down the body. Another Hicks mob did not appear and the mob took no immediate action.

GUEST WHITE WAY
BEING INSTALLED

The beginning of a "great white way" for Snyder commenced yesterday when the Snyder Ice and Electric Company placed the equipment on the south side of the square for street lighting as per contracts signed several weeks ago.

It is expected that the entire city will fall in line and put its streets lights.

Peaches, Apples and Pears
The Signal is the recipient of a basket of peaches, apples and pears from the splendid orchard of W. D. Sims of Snyder. The fruit produced this year is varied and plentiful.

Notice
All claims upon which a bounty is paid under the law must be presented to the Commissioners' Court on the second Monday in each month.
W. T. Skinner, County Clerk.

J. T. Denson and family of Tarrant county is visiting relatives here.

Jack C. Hull has returned from the Primitive Baptist Convention which convened near Leno. He reports an excellent meeting.

J. A. Dunn,
J. M. Cuthbertson,
C. H. Caffa,
C. B. Smith,
E. J. D. Hallman,
Fred Morris,
M. A. Fuller,
W. F. Daller,
T. P. Martin,
G. J. Bramley,
W. D. Moon,
A. J. Horton,
J. J. Hudson,
J. B. Floyd,
J. H. Hamlett,
T. Carl Davis,
G. W. Lightfoot,
S. C. Porter,
W. T. Brooks,
John Merrett,
Geo. D. Neely,
J. E. Maynard,
W. E. Berris,
J. E. McConnell,
F. J. Helms,
W. G. Hardin.

GALVESTON AGAIN SUFFERS DAMAGE

BUILDINGS ALONG THE WATER
FRONT ARE RUINED—MANY
BOATS WRECKED

WATER CLIMBS BIG SEA WALL

Wireless From Transport Boat
Gives News of Destruction
Wrought by Storm

Fort Sam Houston, Aug. 17.—Replying to your wire to General Funston following latest bulletin from transport Buford at Galveston 5:20 p. m.:

"Water in business section is about three feet deep. Considerable damage done. All business houses and residences on water front ruined. Grain elevators and docks wrecked. Large and small boats at docks. The transport McClelland around high and dry. Number of fires lost not known."

We have no communication with Galveston except through transport Buford which is cut off from Galveston.

HAY, Chief of Staff.

The foregoing was in response to a message sent to General Funston by Gen. H. Dwyer, vice president and general manager of the News, asking on behalf of the thousands of people interested that the Galveston News be permitted to send one hundred words to the Dallas News by Government Wireless and promising to give this hundred words to all news disseminating organizations. As the transport Buford is cut off from Galveston this if course was impossible.

The Government wireless station at Brownsville picked up a brief message from Galveston yesterday afternoon that the storm was still raging.

The accounts in the morning from the transport Buford that the number of lives lost is unknown. News of it is again appearing as a bulletin that was sent this last.

There has been no wire communication with Galveston since Monday night at 3 o'clock, or with Houston since 7-11 Tuesday morning. Wire to Houston would come yesterday. It is expected that communication will be re-established immediately.

FIRST STORY OF GALVESTON
STORM—THIRTY-NINE DEAD

Houston, Aug. 18.—One newspaper man has been into Galveston and has returned. This is the summary of his report.

Forty persons are known to have drowned in Galveston proper and 25 at Virginia Point and a few elsewhere.

One hundred are supposed to be dead. All three of the big bath houses, Murdoch's, the Breakers and the Surf, are absolutely gone. In front of the Galveston Hotel is a 20 foot break in the sea-wall.

Four hundred houses have been destroyed since the sea front. Galveston is in need of drinking water. Several ocean liners are high and dry or will be when the water subsides.

Both ends of the Causeway are out and two barges battered away several of the arches in the center.

It will be a week probably before a railroad train can get into Galveston, maybe longer.

Captain J. A. Blackman, from Galveston reports seeing a number of bodies in the bay. This may increase the death list. The water stood five feet in the streets of the Galveston business district. The wind velocity reached ninety two miles an hour for awhile. Ships can be found in all manner of inconceivable places.

Fifty people in the Causeway Hotel at Virginia Point, when the hotel collapsed, saved themselves out of a total of about 75 in the place. One man shot himself in the groin of the panic stricken women and children.

Galveston is under martial law. The older portion of the Santa Fe depot was wrecked.

Three fires started Monday night. No Galveston Newspaper has yet been able to print.